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In re. application of : Kazuya TAKEDA et al. Serial No.: Unknown Filed: Concurrently herewith For: METHOD FOR DETECTING TARGET SOUND, METHOD FOR DETECTING DELAY TIME IN SIGNAL INPUT, AND SOUND SIGNAL PROCESSOR	International Application No.: PCT/JP2004/003524 International Filing Date: March 17, 2004
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified patent application,
Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following Amendment.

- ☒ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper

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